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## Statement from the Honorable John Chiang, Chair, State Board of Equalization on the Passing of Congressman Edward R. Roybal (ret)

Member of Congress January 3, 1963 – January 3, 1993

Ed Roybal was a courageous trailblazer who fought with passion for the elderly and those in need. A catalyst for change, he influenced a generation of activists and leaders, many of whom are prominent public officials today. His legacy lives on through the work of all those who strive to make a better world. As the first Latino council member for the city of Los Angeles and a high ranking member of Congress, he opened doors for others to follow. My prayers and wishes go out to his wife, Lucille Beserra Roybal, daughter, the Honorable Lucille Roybal-Allard, and family.

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